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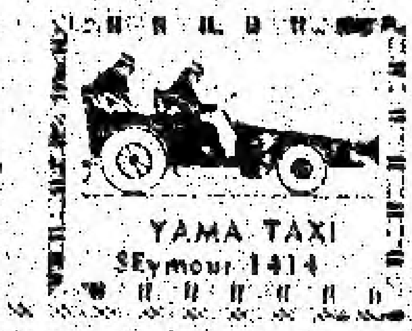

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Seven Niseis Win U. B. C. Degrees

Many Students Succeed in Exams

Yamada Wins Nemichi Essay Prize

Amid traditional graduation ceremonies, seven second generation members of the class of '40 will be conferred degrees by the University of British Columbia at the 25th annual congregation, tomorrow, May 9. Gaining his Bachelor of Applied Science with 2nd class honors in Electrical Engineering is George Saito, Cumberland. Receiving Bachelor of Arts degrees are Tam Ozaki, 2nd class honors in chemistry; Wesley Fujiwara, Fred Nishi and Yoshiko Momose. Winning Bachelor of Commerce degrees are Kazuhiko Oyama and Henry Ide.

Lone Nisei prize winner is Peter Yamada, who won the H. Nemichi essay prize for the best essay on Pacific Problems. Yamada wrote upon Japan's population problem.

The detailed list of successful students follows:

FACULTY OF ARTS

Third Year: Class I — Satoru Watanabe; Class II—Kiyoshi Kato, Hiroshi Kawaguchi; Passed—Kiyoaki Momose, Harry Nikaido, Peter Yamada; Supp. — George Shimo-Takahara.

Commerce: Luke Tanabe; Supp. —Tetsuo Aoki.

Second Year: Class I—Kimiuichi Arai, Fred Sasaki; Class II —Akira Namba, Kimiko Takimoto, Roy Nose; Passed—Kiichi Noguchi; Supp.—Shige Okuno, K. S. Shimo-Takahara, Roy Shinobu, Dave Shiozaki, George Yamashita.

First Year: Class I—Yoichi Kato; Class II—Juko Otsuki, Mariko Uyeda; Supp.—Toshio Hirano. Passed—Jack Momose, Dick Matsui.

FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Fourth Year: Mechanical Eng.— Supp., Eichi Shinobu.

Third Year: Class II—Hajime Kagetsu; Supp. — Saburo Takahashi.

Second Year: Class II — Koei Mitsui, Koichi Tsujimura; Supp. —Minoru Tabata, Yoshito Takahashi.

Nursing: Supp. — Nana Yamamoto.

FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE

Third Year: Class II—Arthur Sakamoto, Yukio Tamura.

First Year: Class II—George Nishioka.

Stress Need For Friendly Relations With Canadians

The need for better understanding and closer relationship between Japanese parents and public and high school teachers was emphasized when some 120 Japanese language school teachers and P.T.A. representatives convened at the Woodfibre Community Hall Sunday, May 5, for their eighteenth annual general meeting under the chairmanship of Dr. M. Ishiwara.

It was felt that parents should be encouraged to attend the "school visiting" week, concerts and sports day at the schools so that they may find out more about their children's problems and at the same time, get acquainted with the teachers themselves.

JAPAN TOUR PLANNED

Further details concerning the coming summer tour of Japan by a group of teachers and male students of high school age were announced.

The party will leave Vancouver on the Hiye Maru, July 3, and be in Japan for over a month. Visits to the famous sports and industrial si ;setifnre21 1234 12344 industrial sites, interviews with important people, a short course at a well-known institution, and an opportunity to visit the homes of the members' parents are included in the itinerary.

BUSINESS DISCUSSED

Other business covered the recommendation of two teachers, one from Vancouver and the other from Vancouver Island for the annual summer tour of Japan and the Far East sponsored by the Japan Tourist Bureau, the reprinting of all calendars containing moral observations, the recognition of teachers and workers by means of special awards and certificates, and the publication of an educational magazine.

Welcoming the party when the Harbour Princess steamed into Woodfibre was the reception committee headed by Chairman Mr. R. Kiriyama and Mr. T. Date, president of the Isshinkai. In the afternoon the visitors were taken on a two-hour sightseeing tour through the pulp mill and later were feted at a banquet by the Isshinkai. Practically the whole Japanese community was down at the docks at five o'clock to bid the visitors goodbye.

Honour Importer For Service In Trade

Receives Trade Award

Ippei Nishio

Recognition of outstanding services in the fostering of commercial relations between Canada and Japan was given this week to Ippei Nishio, prominent Vancouver business man and general manager of the Nikko Importing Co.

Despite difficulties of tariff wars, exchange fluctuation and political movements during the past two decades, Mr. Nishio has achieved a record of maintaining the highest level of business.

Presentation of the award was made by Consul K. Nakauchi. Mr. Nishio was honoured later at a reception at the Fuji.

The award is given from time to time by the Japan Foreign Trade Federation. It is awarded to business men in the United States, China, India and Canada.

On The Newsfront

Bussei Donation Swells War Donations

Bringing the total of voluntary donations contributed toward the nation's war effort by Japanese Canadian organizations to almost $3,700, the League of Young People's Buddhist Associations last week forwarded to the Federal Government through Mayor Lyle E. Telford the sum of $160.

Collected from young members of the League, the donation was made as a "humble but sincere means of expressing their loyalty and gratitude to Canada at the time of her supreme struggle for democracy."

A message accompanying the donation expressed "the deep appreciation for the many advantages which this country has given us and our sincerity to assume responsibilities of citizenship through some practical channel."

United Church Kindergarten Graduation

Kindergarten graduation exercises in five valley centres will be held this month by the United Church of Canada according to an announcement by Miss Sadie O. Tait of the Women's Missionary Society. Parents and interested friends are invited.

The program is as follows: May 8—Whonock and Ruskin at the Ruskin Canadian Community Hall, 7:30; May 16—Mission City, Japanese Hall, 7:30; May 17—Hammond, Japanese Hall, 7:30; May 21—Haney, Japanese Hall, 7:30; May 29—Queensboro, Queen's Ave. United Church Hall, 7:30.

Kusu Sugai Wins Ocean Falls Oratory

OCEAN FALLS—Kusu Sugai was named winner of the Japanese cup from a field of ten contestants at the highly successful spring oratorical contest held at the old Ichikai Sunday evening, April 28, by the Ocean Falls Young Men's Association.

Mr. Sugai spoke on the subject, "Unity—the Mighty Weapon." Second prize winner was Kiyoshi Ono with "Fulfil Your Individual Duties" and Nobuo Mizumoto was third with "Hope Lights the Future."

Chairman for the occasion was Mr. Takeshi Sugai and judges were Messrs. S. Okabe, M. [illegible] and H. Nishimura.

Pulp Union Holds Wage Conference

Following the expiry on April 30 of last year's working agreement between the employees and the two companies of the Ocean Falls Pacific Mills Limited and the Powell River Paper Company, fourteen delegates representing the local trade unions and company officials have been locked up in conference since last Monday at the Hotel Georgia to draw up a new agreement.

As the delegates are sworn to absolute secrecy the results of their deliberations will not be known until next week, but it is understood that the union representatives are seeking the improvement of working conditions generally.

Representing the Japanese section of the Ocean Falls Pulp and Sulphite Millworkers Union, local 312, in the capacity of official delegate is Mr. Shigeru Yasuura with Mr. Toshio "Tiny" Kurita attending as observer.

Nisei Unity

Prince Rupert Societies Merge

By Hiroshi Hamasaki

PRINCE RUPERT, B. C. — A step toward the ideal of a greater Nisei unity was realized in this northern city through the decision of two community Nisei societies to amalgamate for united action on common problems.

The two organizations affected are the Young Men's Association and the Canadian Japanese Young People's Society. It is the hope of many second generation that this amalgamation may lead to the establishment of a chapter of the Japanese Canadian Citizens' League.

At a special meeting of the Young Men's Association last month, members unanimously decided to unite with CJYPS in accordance with the scheme advocated by the Nisei Guidance Committee. President Yamamoto gave a brief talk in support of the unification plan.

On April 27 at a joint meeting of both organizations a committee was formed to draft a constitution and a name for the new organization. Election of officers will be held late in the summer.

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War Spirit

Behind the blustering war headlines, or the lack of these headlines, in the daily press, the realization of the actual situation in Europe is slowly unfolding, and with it the realization of what this situation means to the people of Canada.

Whatever the news of the struggle, this fact emerges—that the war can no longer be won for us by a casual reliance upon the might of British sea power, that this most desperate struggle that Canada as a sovereign member of the British Empire has ever faced, will demand burdens upon each and everyone of us heavier than any we have yet clearly imagined.

But here at home, Japanese Canadian organizations still continue with voluntary donations to the nation's war effort. Legitimately such contributions may be criticized upon the grounds of expediency and practicability. As material aid to the prosecution of the war, they are relatively unimportant.

But these donations are of genuine significance, not because of the sum involved, but because of the group from which they come, because of the spirit in which they are made, and because the vital need for that spirit daily becomes more and more acute.

Many things are tested in the crucible of war. Not the least important to Canada will be the manner in which her racial minorities will prove that despite their foreign birth, they are as true Canadians as any Canadian of several generations.

Co-Operation

We all recognize the need for closer contact with our fellow Canadians. In fact, it has become a platitude that has been repeated so often that it bores us to hear another word about it. Yet, what has been accomplished along that line?

One of the more vital recommendations and resolutions passed at the eighteenth annual meeting of the Japanese language school teachers and Parent-Teachers' Association was one which proposed several methods whereby more friendly relations could be cultivated and which empowered the local language schools to carry on a program to attain that end.

First generation parents will be encouraged to attend numerous public and high school activities, such as concerts, "school visiting" weeks and sport days. On the other hand, Canadian teachers will be invited to Japanese school functions in order to become better acquainted with the Japanese under conditions removed from the crowded school room.

The teachers will have the opportunity to judge for themselves whether Japanese language schools are guilty of the charges so often made; the Japanese parents will be able to acquaint themselves with western ways and ideas which are being inculcated in their children.

For the Japanese language school society to make a conscious attempt to put aside their habitual reserve and to go half way to iron out difficulties arising from the racial factor points favourably to the time when Japanese-Canadian relations will function on a more cordial and co-operative basis.

NISEIANA

Proud Papas Prepare

For Pinning Panties

Perhaps you've noticed or perhaps you haven't, but it seems as if there has been a rapid increase in the number of Nisei marriages hereabouts. All indications, too, point not only to this continued rapid increase, but even to an accelerated rate.

This means a situation is bound to develop where we might draw upon the experience of American Nisei, those progressive, modern cousins of ours.

Recently in Los Angeles, the Japanese Union Church began a free public 12-weeks series of lectures in home nursing, with over a hundred Nisei members.

Comments the dignified Los Angeles Japanese Daily News:

"Young Nisei husbands as well as wives will now know how to put baby's diapers on correctly, render first aid in an emergency, and do some practical child-care work with the proficiency of an expert."

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"Out of the Wind's

and the Rain's Way"

And speaking of marriages, etc. coming thick and fast, there's a problem of housing that has to be met. In Vancouver, at least, it's well known that there is an acute housing shortage, and personally we've heard of a number of cases where families, wanting to buy or rent houses, were turned down because they were Japanese. It's a problem that may become more and more evident within the next few years.

They've met a similar situation in Los Angeles, where restrictions and discrimination have been particularly irritating. You have to give the Yankees credit for push and go all the time.

Now they've begun the development of a new sub-division in southwest Los Angeles, known as Jefferson Park. With a $3,000,000 housing project planned, and a Hollywood Nisei in charge of sales, with special provision for low cost housing, it is expected that a whole village of love nests will soon spring up.

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Kiyo Tanaka Gets

The Thrill of a Lifetime

When the King and Queen visited Vancouver just a year ago, we were more than proud that they touched our "Nihon-machi" in their tour. What a thrill it would have been, though, if they had dropped into one of our crop suey houses for a "soba." There probably would have been a riot.

But a short time ago on a foggy day in San Francisco a smart limousine drew to a stop in front of a hat and dress shop in Frisco's little Osaka.

The door was opened and out stepped a tall, smiling woman in well-tailored attire.

It was Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, the First Lady of the Land, who was on a brief shopping junket.

For Kiyo Tanaka, Nisei proprietress of the shop, it was the thrill of a lifetime. She shook hands with the distinguished customer and received her autograph. Mrs. Roosevelt purchased nine kimonos and slippers.

But here at home, we're still waiting for our Nisei hat and dress shop

This Charter Amendment

With Canada embroiled in a desperate international [illegible] in Europe, and with an internal "war" not yet definitely settled, British Columbia is looking forward to the forthcoming special session of the Provincial Legislature with more than passing interest. Japanese Canadians, too, will watch the session closely, and perhaps have cause to [illegible] denial of democratic rights that leaves them helpless as a minority group.

THE LORD HIGH EXECUTIONER

If indications are correct, it may be that in the forthcoming session of the Legislature that Alderman Halford D. Wilson, implacable and unrelenting anti-Japanese politician, will try to fashion for the City of Vancouver a Damocles sword. Once obtained, Alderman Wilson hopes to wield it right lustily, to decapitate once and for all his hydra-headed monster of Oriental competition.

The special civic sub-committee has begun the drafting of the proposed charter amendment, which will give the city absolute discretionary power in granting trades licences. Although the draft has not been made public, Alderman Wilson has made it known that he hopes to secure the same powers which were granted to all municipalities under the provisions of the Trade Licence Board Act.

This Act, enacted in 1928 at the request of the City of Vancouver (S.B.C. 1928, c. 49) and repealed several years ago because it was never implemented, provided for the establishment of a trade licence board in any municipality upon approval of the Provincial Government. Such a board was to comprise three members, one appointed by the government, one by the municipality and the third to be the mayor or reeve of the municipality.

ABSOLUTE DISCRETIONARY POWER GRANTED

Just as the Federal Minister of Fisheries was given absolute discretionary powers in granting fishing licences, so this board would have complete discretionary powers "to issue, transfer, renew or cancel any licence to do business in any such municipality, etc."

Even more dangerous are the implications which were contained within section 6 of the act:

"The Board may refuse to issue, continue, transfer or renew a licence to do business to any person, firm or corporation if in the opinion of the Board it be not advisable in the public interests of the municipality."

On the other hand, what might be construed as a definition of the term "public interest" was contained in the following sub-sections—"the better regulation, distribution or zoning" of the business; "location of the premises"; "source of supply or manner of production from a health or sanitary standpoint"; etc., etc.

From this it can be seen that the powers of such a board would be very wide indeed. No suggestion of racial discrimination is made, but "the opinion of the Board" may be wide enough to permit the most vicious discrimination conceivable, particularly since anti-Japanese interests would undoubtedly exercise considerable influence over the appointment of the personnel of the Board.

Disheartening as this may be, we still have cause to hope that civil liberties and democratic rights will not be sacrificed completely upon an altar of racial persecution. In a recent judgment handed down in the Supreme Court by Mr. Justice D. A. McDonald, the civil rights of coloured people were upheld, despite an opposite verdict under somewhat different conditions in Quebec.

In delivering his verdict, the Honourable Justice stated, "If I am wrong, I would rather be wrong on this side." In that sentiment [illegible] expressed the sentiment of every decent citizen of Canada.

Vox Nisei Populi

A Dig At Diana

Editor, The New Canadian — Dear Sir: I read in last week's "Candlelight and Wine" Diana's rather amusing exposition on "le chapeau masculin" and I as a rep. of the stronger sex (ahem) would like to toss some derogatory remarks at the miscellany which pass for feminine headgear (tit for tat, you know).

It seems that what a Nisei boy does with his hat is what matters but a Niselette doesn't have to do a thing with her hat (yes it itself is bad enough). Hats adorning (?) the female species have been the objects of derision, sarcasm and contempt since the days of yore. And with a good cause, too. After all, you don't see any basket, or a pie plate, or a vase men promenading with a lunch-(inverted) or a model of the trylon and the perisphere perched on top of their "grey matter" (subject to argument). Again, they don't wear colorful and gaudy top pieces that are guaranteed (for sixty days) to blind any innocent bystander within fifty feet of the object.

This age of progress has brought an amazing development in those synthetic gardens or hats complete with a little Dutch garden, a 10-ounce sack of fertilizer, two gardeners and a picket fence.

This is the last straw—(or [illegible] of garden) that an honest [illegible] fearing man can endure. And who knows what next year will bring? A cornfield with domestic animals and a cute little pig pen [illegible] boy friend?

So, what can Miss Diana say about a gentleman's hat [illegible] when most likely he [illegible] his social error while [illegible] a daze caused by the [illegible] damsel's head gear? [illegible] witness the end and [illegible] the hat grotesque, I [illegible]

—Frank [illegible]

Vancouver.

Hats Off!

Editor, The New Canadian—Dear Sir: I'd like to express my appreciation of last week's "Candlelight and Wine" column on the subject of lifting the hat.

Someone told me that the column is chiefly for women readers but personally I got a kick out of it myself. Besides I often learn a lot from it. After all, usually we haven't anyone at home to tell us the finer points of western etiquette. And we don't want to wade through a big book on the subject either. Feeding [illegible] in small doses is a good system so here's "hats off" to [illegible]

—"Rosie"

Vancouver.

Fraser Valley Berry Growers Looking Forward to Bumper Season

Strawberry Prospects Bright: Bigger and Better Crops, Prices Higher, Increase In Export Trade Possible

Small fruit farmers in the Fraser Valley are looking forward optimistically to a good year. Not only does the strawberry crop promise to be better than last year and the prices higher, but for the first time in a long while the farmers are starting out the year with none of last year's stock of berries on hand.

Due to an unexpected demand in the United Kingdom, the jam berries which are packed in sulphur dioxide in barrels were disposed of almost immediately after they were packed last year.

EXPORT TRADE

The war in Europe, moreover, has changed the picture of the export trade considerably. Holland which usually has an export crop ten times that of Canada and which supplies most of Great Britain's berry consumption is reported to have flooded 10% of its total berry acreage for defensive purposes a month ago. There is a rumour that another 10% may be flooded making it quite possible that Canada's export to the United Kingdom may get a big boost, with the Fraser Valley farmers getting a good share of the trade.

In fact, the outlook has been so bright that some farmers have actually increased their acreage.

EARLY SEASON

The warm winter has speeded up the season. In some places, harvesting will be taking place two to three weeks earlier than usual. Thus, the enterprising housewife may be able to surprise the family with a treat of delicious strawberry shortcake by Empire Day.

The warm winter has had, on the other hand, some bad effects. Chief of these is the threat of the dreaded weevil scourge. Due to the absence of heavy, "killing" frost, plants which have not been treated with weevil poison have been attacked by as many as sixty bugs each causing severe damage to the tender roots of the plant.

PRESENT ACREAGE

At present, there are approximately 3,000 acres under intensive cultivation along the Fraser with an average crop of 2½ to 3 tons per acre. In Washington where big concerns are carrying on large scale farming the average crop is just a little over a ton per acre.

FAIR PAVILION BEING RUSHED FOR OPENING

NEW YORK.—In a race against time, scores of workmen are now rushing to complete the renovation of the Japanese Pavilion at the New York World's Fair in the hope that the exhibit will be ready for visitors when the Fair opens May 11.

The Pavilion's main hall, modelled after a temple altar room, now an intricate maze of ladders and scaffolding, resounds to the hammer blows of carpenters preparing space to accommodate many new art exhibits and displays.

Especially executed for this year's Fair, by the foremost of Japan's artists, seventeen murals will be placed on the silk-covered walls of the room.

Serving as a focal point for the main hall's exhibits will be two life-size wood carvings by two of Japan's contemporary artisans. Scores of exhibits to be shown are now en route from Japan.

Anniversary Commemoration

With Japan this year celebrating the 2,600th anniversary of its founding, the left wing of the Pavilion will be dedicated to this theme.

On one wall huge photomurals depicting in sharp detail the Imperial Palace in Tokyo and other government buildings are being put into place.

Glass show cases are also being installed to contain historic photographs, paintings and documents that figured in the arrival of Commodore Matthew Perry in Japan to negotiate that country's first trade treaty with the United States.

NISEIS, THIS IS YOUR PAPER
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Trade Mission Spokesman Compares Japan, Canada For Trade Relations

YOKOHAMA. — Because from the economic viewpoint, Canada and Japan are almost complete opposites, trade relations ought to be improved to benefit both countries, was the opinion expressed here last Friday by John T. Hackett, K. C., noted Canadian barrister, who arrived upon his arrival with the unofficial Canadian trade mission which will tour Japan for a month as guests of the Japan Foreign Trade Federation.

"From what I know of the two countries, Japan and Canada are almost a complete antithesis; Canada is a comparatively young country and Japan has a long and distinguished history; Canada covers an immense area, while Japan is comparatively small; Canada is rich in raw materials while Japan has an intensified industrial life," said Mr. Hackett.

Taking all these things into consideration, there is in my opinion no reason why ground cannot be found for the general improvement of trade between our two countries but since I am a lawyer by profession, I am very anxious to study the judiciary system of Japan as well as the economic system.

EXCHANGE PRODUCTS

"However, since we are here on an economic mission, we hope that we shall be able to find greater markets in Japan for our wheat, beef, lumber, copper, nickel and asbestos. At the present time Japan buys a great deal of our copper and asbestos and some wood pulp, as well as lumber.

"On the other hand, there is no reason why we cannot buy spices, tea and raw silk from Japan. While it is true that we have many rayon factories in Canada there are only a few silk plants."

Famous Missionary Visits City On Speaking Tour

The story of how a Japanese missionary in China was largely instrumental in saving the city of Peiping from the havoc of warfare will be told when Yasuzo Shimizu, famous Japanese missionary, visits Vancouver May 29th, on his speaking tour of the North American Continent.

The first Japanese missionary in China, Mr. Shimizu first went to Peiping early in the twenties, and there, in a poor section of the city ministered to the people, teaching and healing.

He founded the famous "Sutei Gakuen" or girls' school, which has saved hundreds of young Chinese girls from being sold as slaves in the markets of Peiping.

Although his work went largely unnoticed for years, he rose to prominence when the Sino-Japanese conflict broke out in 1937. At the time when the Japanese armies were advancing on Peiping, threatening to occupy the city under shell fire, Mr. Shimizu mediated for a peaceful surrender of the city in order to preserve the beautiful ancient capital from destruction.

For this work he was rewarded by the Japanese Government, and promptly turned his award into furthering the work of his mission school.

The author of a book, "Choyo Mongo," he is at present on a speaking tour, and attempting to raise funds to expand the school. An extensive itinerary has been planned during his stay in the province:

May 29: Japanese Hall, auspices Canadian Japanese Association; May 30: Woodfibre; May 31: Vancouver Japanese Hall, auspices Gogakko Parents' Association; June 1: Fairview United Church; June 2: morning, Powell United Church; evening, Steveston Church.

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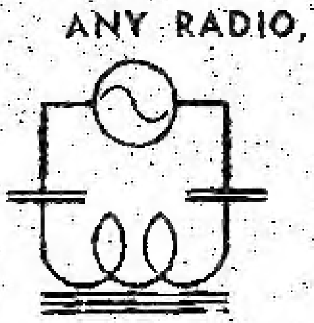
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TOWN TOPICS

SKI CLUB WINDUP DANCE

As each day passes it is bringing just that much nearer the Ski event? The Lim Ski Club Second Annual Windup Dance, occurring on the 23rd of May. The scene will be the classy White Rose Ballroom — some place different this time — on Broadway just this side of Granville. The 8-piece orchestra will supply the music from 9:30–1:00. Tickets are now selling at 50c each.

AYPA ELECTIONS

With every indication that 1940 will hold as much success for them as the past year, the members of the Seikokai AYPA applauded heartily as each new officer stepped in to [illegible] the duties of the respective offices in the general meeting [illegible] Tuesday, May [illegible], at the Holy Cross Mission [illegible] the president's duties [illegible] Kogama.

Assisting him will be [illegible], vice-president; Lisa [illegible], treasurer; Seiji [illegible], recording secretary; Aki Kobayashi, corresponding secretary; [illegible] Mariko Tsuda, Tucker Morino, Tommy [illegible], Aya Suzuki, Bob Murakami, Roy Morino, Phil Kobayashi, councillors; delegates, Bill [illegible], Yoshiko Hirota, Sidi [illegible], Miss E. Yoshimoto, Miss H. Hayashi.

All members are for the closing banquet this Thursday, May [illegible], at the Holy Cross Mission.

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Mr. and Mrs. K. Nakamura of Prince Rupert announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Sumiko, to Mr. Eu. Sugimoto, only son of Mrs. Y. Sugimoto. Nakodos are Mr. and Mrs. S. Yamaguchi. The engagement took place at the Fairfield Sunday.

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The Japanese Students' Club wish to acknowledge with thanks the donations received from Mr. and Mrs. K. Mamose on the graduation of their daughter, Yoshiko, and Mr. and Mrs. Kitamura for their son, Kenji.

STUDENT HOLIDAYS

With the closing of the spring term of the University of Alberta, many students have returned for the summer to their homes in British Columbia. Among those returned home are Mr. Taro Yonada of Victoria; Misses Misao and Yachio Yoneyama of Haney, and Mr. Mamoru Sumiya of this city. Mr. Jo Kato, who also returned to the city, paid but a brief visit to his home before returning to Alberta to serve a junior internship there.

CGIT SILVER JUBILEE

To commemorate their silver jubilee the Canadian Girls in training are holding special services and parties throughout Canada. As a part of their celebrations the Powell CGIT will hold a Mothers and Daughter Tea in the night school room this Friday at 7:45 p.m. Special guests will include the mothers of the girls, graduate members of the club, and Miss Anne Fountain as guest speaker.

CARD SOCIAL

The social committee of the Vancouver Youth Council for card parties to be held in private homes simultaneously Friday evening, May 10. Four prizes have been donated for the occasion. Several Niseis are making arrangements to do their share for the Council.

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Among the many nurses graduating from the Vancouver General Hospital this spring was Miss Yoeko Nagai, only Nisei girl graduate. Miss Nagai is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Nagai of Whonock.

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Speaker at next Sunday night meeting of the Powell Young People's Society will be Lambert Smith, well-known city elocutionist and amateur actor.

Mr. Smith has appeared previously in the Japanese community, winning renown for his presentation of dramatic scenes.

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9 — Meirokai Picnic, Belcarra Park.

Diplomat In City

A visitor in Vancouver for a few days prior to sailing for Japan this week, Genichiro Omori, former First Secretary at the Japanese Legation in Ottawa, arrived Tuesday morning. He is sailing for Japan, before taking up a new post in Buenos Aires.

Meirokai Picnic To Belcarra

Hokutokai has come and gone, but the great picnic in the Hokutokai tradition will be carried on.

This year, however, the sponsors will be Meirokai, who promise even more fun and frolicking at the traditional event. Sunday, June 9, is the date set, and Belcarra Park will be the site. Tickets will be available on Saturday.

Youth Council To Have New Office

2 Members To Attend Dominion Congress

At the monthly meeting of the Vancouver Youth Council, [illegible] Watanabe, Consolidated committee chairman, and May Isono, council secretary, were elected to represent the Vancouver Youth Council at this year's Dominion Youth Congress in Montreal July [illegible].

A new office for the Council! From next month, members and visitors will no longer have to crowd themselves into one little room. For the office will be moving into its new and more comfortable two-room quarters in the Fairfield Bldg. [illegible] Granville.

In order to insure [illegible] to carry on the work [illegible] cil, the finance [illegible] hatched an idea which [illegible] golden egg. Each member [illegible] given a card for [illegible] five people, each of whom [illegible] asked to contribute [illegible] month to the Council.

Alf Carlsen, prominent [illegible] debater, gave the address [illegible] evening on the stand of the [illegible] ed Church Young People [illegible] to war and conscription.

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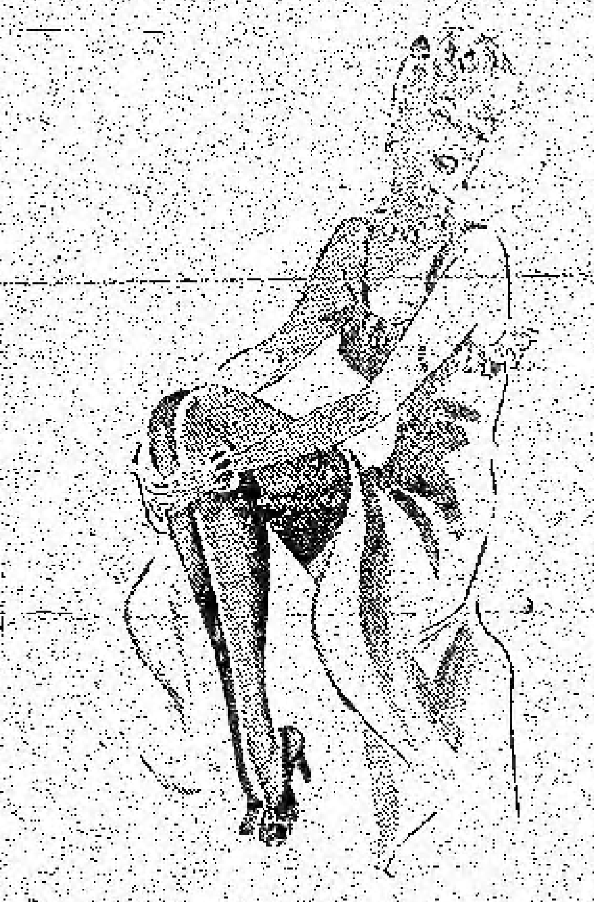

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... therefore, a special service was arranged in one ... everybody attending the service being requested to wear a white carnation. Such great appeal did this arrangement have that the ... many other churches adopting the same plan.

... spread all over America and in 1914 ... was ... established as "Mother's Day" ... at the request of President Wilson as "a public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of the country."

In the course of time the custom of wearing a white carnation was ... white flowers being chosen to symbolize life and death. The habit of sending flowers to mother, no matter where she may be, was soon adopted.

SUPERSTITIONS OF MIDWIVES

Taking advantage of the sudden wide spread interest in Mother's Day, individuals and organizations interested in the health of mothers drew the attention of the public to some startling facts concerning the needless deaths of so many mothers because of the lack of proper medical care.

They brought to light some ignorant superstitions which were held by many midwives. Some believed that wild boar's teeth and fried ... charmed away evil spirits at childbirth, others gave the women gunpowder to ease the pain and filled the room with smoke to render powerless those demons lurking about waiting to carry off an innocent babe.

With such beliefs as these entertained by the midwives it is no wonder that health clinics became alarmed. In recent years, however, the rate of maternal mortality has greatly decreased, thanks to the educational work of the clinics which was given a decided impetus by the enthusiastic ... of Mother's Day.

The Mother's Day celebration, however, is but a public expression of the thoughts of loving sons and daughters. Long before Mother's Day was ever heard of, famous men, whose actions, it has been said, are but a reflection of a noble mother, have expressed their sentiments by word and deed. Here are some of the tributes paid to mothers by the world's greatest men:

LINCOLN: *All that I am, or hope to be, I owe my angel mother.*

EDISON: *If it had not been for her appreciation and her faith in me at a critical time in my experience, I should very likely never have become an inventor.*

JAMES BARRIE: *When you looked into my mother's eyes you knew ... why God sent her into the world—it was to open the minds of all who looked to beautiful thoughts.*

... : *I am proud of mother. If I ever forget to reverence her ... to be a creature myself worth remembering.*

Those who knew Goethe's mother exclaimed: *"Now I understand how Goethe has become the man he is!"*

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Advisor To Assist At Red Cross Meet

Hastings Group II of the Japanese Canadian Red Cross Unit, under Leader Kay Fujiwara, will meet Thursday, May 16, at 8:00 p.m. at the home of Mrs. E. Kitagawa, 2751 E. Pender St.

Mrs. G. J. Spenser, appointed special advisor to the Unit, with Miss Marjorie Busteed, active Red Cross worker, will be present at the meeting.

All executives and other group leaders are asked especially to attend, and an open invitation is extended to all members of the unit or interested friends.

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School Slants...

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Tee Jay

The much awaited April issue of the Tee Jay was published on April 26. Several Nisei are working actively on the Editorial and Business Staffs ... headed by Kazuo Shinobu as Editor-in-Chief. Shizuko Noguchi of Grade 8 is the ... Editor. On the Business Staff are Albert Sato and Joe Noda on the Building Department, and Illustrators Mary Oki and Hiroshi Komagai.

MacMillan Club

"Mad About Music," starring Deanna Durbin, was shown on May ... by the MacMillan Club. The Templeton MacMillan Club, the first of its kind to be organized in Canada, is now concluding its third successful term. On the present executive is Chizuo Uchida as secretary.

MAGEE MEDLEY

On the Red Side . . .

The pitiful turnout of Niseis, especially the girls, at the School Sports on Friday.

The cancellation of the annual Matric Picnic to Bowen Island on Saturday owing to rain.

The strife about the Matric banquet to which the boys insist on bringing Grade XI girls, leaving Matric lassies indignant.

And Out of the Red . . .

Immediate start on the construction of the tennis courts, financed by returns from the recent paper drive.

Matric Vignette

A charming, quietly active girl with lofty aspirations is May Yamazaki. Her dream ambition is to go to the peoples of the Orient, especially to Shanghai, as a missionary nurse, and there spread her gospel of light and learning. This she plans after Senior Matric and training at the local General Hospital.

At School May is a constant advocate of the Niseis' more active participation in school affairs. She herself is particularly active in the First Aid Club. With a flair for eloquent oratory, last year she was the ... winner of the Nemichi ... [illegible] by the University ... Club, and this year won ... [illegible]

Her ... [illegible] the ... She ... [illegible] Readers ... she is a member of ...

Her hobby ... stamp collecting, the other ... writing. She has 10 pen pals from all around the world.

KITSILANO CAPERS

The Matric Banquet this year will be held May 17th at the ... Academy. Kitsilano's largest ... graduating class on record consisting of five members ... participation.

Some say that this year's Sports Day, held last Friday, was quite a ... failure. This is debatable. However, the things that struck me were the number of cameras ... of pretty Niseis. Another thing was that the Juniors showed up the elder Niseis.

Minoru Hagino helped his Div. V relay team along to 4th place; **Kenjo Yatabe** helped his to 2nd. **Hiroshi Kadonaga** sprinted to 3rd. **Hachiro Yagi** pulled up strongly to make his team come 2nd. **Frank Sumi** just missed 1st place in the thrilling pole vault event and pacing his team to 1st place in the Div. III relay was **Isao Kadonaga.**

Incredulous! Even girls took part. Shizue Hayakawa and Toshiko Kimura both ran in relay teams, the latter coming in first.

East House tumbled down from its traditional first place to 3rd, and West House clambered up to top.

A call for the whereabouts of former Kitsies is being made by the archives committee.

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Woodfibre Nisei Nine Drop Opener

A tight pitchers' battle had a big crowd of spectators on edge until the last inning at the Woodfibre diamond Sunday afternoon as the pulp town's Japanese and Canadians tangled in their first tussle of the year.

The Nisei nine completed their half of the sixth inning nursing a slim one-run lead, but in their last time at bat the big bats of the whites came to life, blasting out a barrage of base hits that spiked the plate with six big counters.

In their half of the seventh, the Japanese stock soared when they filled the bags with one out, but the next two men fanned and the third grounded out to short leaving the score 8-3.

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Picnic Calling Valley JCCL'ers

By Hisako Shin

As a last fling at recreational activity before plunging into the hectic berry-picking days, members of the Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows JCCL have planned a picnic to Whytecliff, Sunday, May 19.

The bus will leave 32nd Avenue in Ruskin at 8:00 a.m. All members and friends wishing to join in the fun are requested to leave their names with their respective district chairmen.

The cost of transportation for each person is only a mere 50c.

Steveston Jrs. Take Exhibition Tilt

Steveston Fuji Juniors played host and trimmed the Kitsilano Bussei squad 8-1 in an exhibition tilt last Sunday at the Steveston Grounds.

Taking advantage of the first-inning wildness of rookie pitcher Mitsuo Nakashiba, who gave four free passes and allowed 4 hits, the Steveston boys captured a big lead. "Baron" Yoshida, relieving for Nakashiba, pitched a no-hitter and struck out nine batters.

Kitsilano pushed across their only tally in the third frame when Frank Sumi scored on catcher Nishizaki's safety.

Shiozaki chucking for Steveston allowed 5 hits but held the Kitsies down to one lone run.

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By "Chatter"

An 11-foot sturgeon, tipping the scales at 398 pounds was caught by gillnetter "Gramps" Onotera last week. The biggest sturgeon caught since last spring, it was landed in the vicinity of the "red buoy" in Sunbury, with the help of three or four other fishermen "drifting" near Mr. Onotera.

"Bingo" for the Dance

Instead of games in the early part of the evening as announced in the last issue of this paper, we are going to have "Bingo" at the coming dance to be held at Hamilton School.

And just to make it more interesting we're going to charge 1c per game, with prizes for each game. The prizes will be kept as surprises.

So come prepared with your spare pennies, folks.

All you people who are helping in selling tickets, please take notice: "Bingo" instead of games.

Snag No. 2 Cleared

The Riverside Snag Cleaners have successfully cleared No. 2 at Cottonwood on the Fraser.

Although two snags have been cleared at Cottonwood, several attempts made at a disastrous snag in the Sunbury district of the Fraser have been fruitless.

Discouraging as this may be, these boys, led by "Dynamite" Tom Oikawa are determined to clear away these damaging snags, although they'll have to blast them from the river bottom.

Prince Rupert Patter

By Hiroshi Hamasaki

News flashes from the Nisei World in Northern B. C. from Station PRP.

The C.J.Y.P.S. hike on March 30 turned out to be a motor trip and a picnic to the New Road. A large number of localities enjoyed the outing.

Nippon A. Y. P. A. will meet shortly for the annual election of officers. Nomination for the positions by secret ballot took place on the 20th of last month.

The newly-weds, Mr. and Mrs. T. Sakamoto, passed through the city recently on their way to Osland Cannery, where Mr. Sakamoto is engaged in boat-building.

While no names are being mentioned, it is rumoured that engagements of certain Prince Rupert girls are soon to be announced. Congratulations in advance!

Congratulations, too, to Nori Yamanaka on her graduation from St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver.

Many former Rupert Nisei who have been visiting or studying in Japan are returning home. All their friends are looking forward to meeting them again.

Rain, rain, go to Spain; and never come back to Rupert again! is the refrain of many people, especially the children. The patter of Prince Rupert is becoming much too regular.

Signing off now till the next broadcast from PRP.

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Pen Pals Ahoy!

Penny Post Is Just A Century Old

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In 1940 you write a note to a friend, stick a six-cent stamp on it, drop it in any corner mail-box and in 24 hours it'll be delivered at the other end of the continent. But back in 1840 when the postage idea first came into being, it wasn't quite so simple.

In those days one of the few people who had occasion to write a letter would pen his message on a sheet of paper, fold it, close it with a swab of sealing wax and hike to the nearest post office, which might be one mile or ten miles away. Charges for sending a letter even just a few miles away would mount up to 25c or 50c or even more.

Before 1840, mail service had been the privilege of government officials and the wealthy, and pen pals were undreamed of individuals.

SIR ROWLAND HILL

In 1837, Sir Rowland Hill, an English schoolteacher, began to publish pamphlets proposing postage reforms, chief of which would be a drastic reduction of rates so that mail service would come within the reach of the common people who needed such facilities just as much as the rich.

For three years Sir Rowland fought to persuade the British Government to adopt his proposals and finally on January 10, 1840, the Universal Penny Post was established.

The adhesive stamp had its battles in the beginning too, for a great many people disliked the unpleasant taste of the mucilage. Some said it was poisonous, or that it would cause an epidemic since germs might adhere to the stamp. Despite all these difficulties the "Penny Black" was so liked that 66 million copies were sold the first year.

The idea caught on in foreign lands and within two decades Switzerland, Brazil, the United States, Africa and Australia had introduced their own postage stamps.

WHY NOT SOME OTHER COUNTRY

If you've found correspondence with your European pen pal too slow these days why not try the United States or Hawaii? And it's always fun to correspond with someone in some other part of Canada.

Letters from "down under" are always popular, and this year New Zealanders will have a lot to tell you about their centennial now being held in Auckland.

If you want a penpal in Hawaii, United States, England, Ireland, Scotland or Australia just drop me a line. Be sure to tell me your age and hobbies and don't forget a stamp for a reply. If you want a Nisei pen-pal in Hawaii or California, do write and let me know, and I'll try to locate one for you.

MAIL BAG

Yuriko Kato of Cumberland has written to say that she has received letters from her pen-pals in Hawaii and California. I hope Yuriko and *Sumiko* will be hearing from their correspondents soon.

From Fraser Mills comes a letter from *Katy Maruyama* who also says she has heard from Hawaii. She's enthusiastic about our club and raves about it all the time.

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The Boys' Festival

Spirit Of Knighthood Is A Tradition

Strolling along the streets lined on either side with the most up-to-date western houses, suddenly one may be startled to see a huge red and black fish floating in the breeze above one of these houses. This fish effigy, seemingly so out of keeping with its surroundings, would arouse the curiosity of those who are not acquainted with the customs and traditions of the Orient, but to the Japanese it is an indication that the family is proclaiming from the housetop the proud possession of a son.

For the fifth day of the fifth month is the day of the "Tango No Sekku" or Boys' Festival, and in keeping with old traditions many families have filled their homes with symbols of the romantic past. Along with other cultural traditions the Boys' Festival, celebrated throughout Japan by the younger boys up to their fifteenth year, has been carried over here.

THE TALE OF KUTSUGEN

The origin of the festival has faded with the passing of time, but there are many legends concerning its initiation. The traditional tale is of Kutsugen.

Once, long ago, there lived in China a poet named Kutsugen, a devoted patriot and a most loyal subject of the Emperor. One day when the Lords gathered before their master, someone out of sheer malice spoke ill of the poet, and as a result Kutsugen was banished from the kingdom. However so deep and true was his devotion that his banishment did not embitter him or kill his loyalty. And upon hearing of his master's death, he could not bear to live on.

Believing that his spirit from another world could be of greater assistance to his fellowmen, he composed a poem saying that he would be the guardian spirit of his country forever, and then threw himself into the river. His death took place on the fifth day of the fifth month.

The loyalty and unselfishness as displayed by Kutsugen attracted the admiration of the Japanese. With the ardent hope that the same spirit of bravery and devotion would be imparted to their sons, Japanese parents chose this day for the celebration of the Boys' Festival.

THE BLADE OF THE IRIS

There is another tale of Prince Hayanaga who, engaged in a fierce sea battle, went to a shrine to pray for help from the Ancestors on the 5th of the month, a time when the iris were in full bloom. Because of the Prince's overwhelming victory, May 5 was chosen for the festival day with the iris, regarded as a good omen, playing a prominent role in the celebrations.

The custom still prevails in Japan of decorating the houses on this day with iris flowers and leaves to ward off the evil spirits. And for health and long life the people drink "shobu-sake"—a sake containing finely chopped iris stalks, and bathe in iris scented baths. Then too, the slender pointed leaves of the iris, suggesting the blade of a sword, is symbolical of the spirit of a warrior.

SPIRIT OF THE SAMURAI

But perhaps more important in significance than the iris is the carp, which stands for vigorous energy and strength, and the stubborn determination to overcome all obstacles, an inspiring example for growing boys. The spirit of the samurai is also typified by the carp for when it is killed it meets its fate calmly without any twitching or struggling.

Thus, when the carp is hoisted upon a pole it carries a fervent prayer that the sons may be just as strong and energetic as this lively fish.

Inside the house a tier, similar to that used in the Doll Festival but with only two shelves covered with green cloth, is set up. On the shelves are displayed miniature figures of famous warriors and tableaus, each piece conveying a special message of heroism and undaunted loyalty. These tales of Japan's great men, as represented by the figures, are related by the parents in the hope that their sons will be moved by the same spirit of devotion, sacrifice, and bravery.

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Bussei Champs Finally Downed

Fairview Ekes Out Narrow Triumph

In an exciting Bussei League ball game, Fairview eked out a narrow 4-3 victory over Hompa, to hand the defending champions their first setback in three years at league play, and squeeze out a tie for first place.

Going into the last inning trailing 3-0, Hompa, fielding a makeshift line-up for this game, staged a last-inning rally that tied the game up. S. Nakatsuka started off with a single, R. Inouye followed with a walk, and Don Sugiman sent them both home with a long triple into deep centre field. Y. Tanaka, next up, sent out a hit into left field that enabled Sugiman to cross the plate with the tieing run.

Fairview Comes Back

Fairview squad came right back in their half of the deciding inning to score the winning run when M. Tsukada led off by beating out a bunt down the third base line, O. Ebata walked, and T. Nishikawa sent a grounder into the infield which was fumbled by the shortstop, and Tsukada scampered all the way home from second base for the winning score.

Hompa batters, although they nicked Yo Nishimura on the mound for Fairview for seven hits, could not manage to come through in the pinches. K. Misumi, pitching his third game this season for Hompa, gave up five hits.

Your Hit Parade!

"The old order changeth, yielding place to new . . . . "

Do you remember this line we learned in high school? Following the laws of nature of change, one top-notcher, "When You Wish Upon a Star," has yielded first place to another hit, "The Woodpecker's Song."

Welcome, besides, to two newcomers, "Little Curly Hair in a High Chair," and "You, You Darling."

It's only the great songs that stand up to the gruelling test of time. The outstanding popular numbers have got separated from the trash and have persisted as "semi-classics" such as "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes," "Blue Skies," "St. Louis Blues," "After You've Gone," negro spirituals and many others.

Even the mighty triumvirate of classical fame, the "three B's,"—Bach, Beethoven and Brahms—have composed a large number of pieces which have been junked on the garbage heap of oblivion.

The Week's Hits:

1. The Woodpecker's Song.
2. When You Wish Upon a Star.
3. With the Wind and the Rain in Your Hair.
4. The Singing Hills.
5. On the Isle of May
6. How High the Moon.
7. Too Romantic.
8. Let There Be Love.
9. Little Curly Hair in a High Chair.
10. You, You Darling.

UNIONS NUDGE GIANTS FOR WIN
STEVESTON SOLID IN CELLAR SLOT

Kaz Suga, slugging manager for Powell Drug, blasted all Steveston's hope for a triumph as he poled out two homers and a triple in four times at the plate, giving his team a 6-4 win over Fuji. The game definitely settled Powell Drug in top place and Steveston, the lone occupants of the cellar in the Sunday League.

Hits coming through in pinches gave Union Fish a 5-4 nod over the Giants. Ty Suga started out his fourth consecutive game and pitched good enough ball for a win, but his teammates pecked ineffectively at Kamitomo and Maruno's offerings and were completely handcuffed in pinches. Giants had a total of 15 left on bases while Union Fish left only 6.

Unions Just Win

In the seventh, Unions took the lead as Joe Akiyama scored on George Suzuki's screaming triple to deep centre, who then scored on Fukui's safety, to give the Union Fish nine a one-run lead.

Giants were in scoring position often, but Mike Maruno, who had relieved Kamitomo in the sixth shoved on pressure and had the Giants completely handcuffed.

Suga Slugs Sawayama

Although outhit 11-9, Powell Drugs kept pace with Steveston Fujis and finally Kaz Suga picked one of Tommy Sawayama's special and heaved it over centre field for his second home run of the game, deucing the game 4-4.

A brace of runs in the eighth inning, when Yuki Uno scored on George Yoshinaka's perfect bunt, and in turn scored on newcomer Chuck Terada's bingle out to left field, credited Powell Drugs with their third win.

Yosh Hayashi relieving Yoshinaka in the last inning found himself in a ticklish position when he allowed a hit and a walk, but he bore down on last batter Sogawa and chalked up a big K besides his name for the final out of the game.

Union Fish—Tanaka ss (2-5); Akiyama 1b (0-4); Wakabayashi rf (1-3); Okumura 3b (0-4); Suzuki 2b (2-3); Fukui c (1-4); Inouye rf (0-4); Yanagisawa cf (0-4); Kamitomo p (1-2); Maruno p (1-2)—8 hits.

Giants—Shiraishi lf (3-4); Konishi 3b (1-3); F. Nakamura ss (0-2); E. Nakamura cf (1-4); Ashikawa 1b (1-4); Kutsukake c (0-5); Murakami rf (0-5); Saito 2b (0-4); Suga p (0-5)—6 hits.

Score by Innings—

Union Fish 1 0 0 1 1 0 0 2 0—5
Giants 2 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0—4

Steveston—Hoshizaki 3b (1-4); Nakatsu rf (2-4); Kusano c (1-5); Oike cf (0-3); Shoji 2b (1-5); Shishido ss (3-5); Mori lf (2-3); Sogawa 1b (1-4); Sawayama p (0-3); Shimoda cf (0-4)—11 hits.

Powell Drug—Yamamura ss (1-3); D. Yasui cf (0-4); Mitsui c (1-3); Uno 1b (2-4); Suga lf (3-4); Yoshinaka p (0-2); Yasui 2b (0-3); Terada 3b (1-4); Nishimura rf (1-1); Hayashi p—9 hits.

Score by Innings—

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Old Sol has been unusually kind to the Sunday Leaguers so far this year. On Saturday the old weather man carefully sprinkles ye old diamond with rain, and Sunday turns up bright and cheery, a weather ideal for baseball.

Pulling 'Em To Pieces

Talking of baseball, let's get together and pull a few of the teams to pieces. It seems that all the heated arguments at the pre-season meetings regarding the use of Ichigun players have been for naught. Right now, all Ichiguns are taking an active part in the various teams with the exception of Nag Nishihara, but next week Nishihara will be in Steveston uniform as playing manager. That means every Asahi member is now playing in the Japanese league.

I can't say that this inflow of Asahi players has done any damage, on the contrary, it has pulled the calibre of the Japanese League, and the teams are so evenly balanced now, that, although Powell Drug is ahead at present, any one of the other teams is far from out of running.

One loss was enough to upset the Powell Drug sponsors. Result, Roy Yamamura has switched from Giants to Powell Drug, and has proven to be a big asset to the druggists. His speedy, acrobatic motion at shortstop made setups for numerous double plays.

Speaking of Powell Drug, you can't forget Kaz Suga. His superman batting power was in evidence last Sunday as he banged out two home runs and a triple, some record hard to equal.

Ty Still Tops

A word for the Giants, for bad their regular lineup didn't turn up. Nearly every inning they had somebody on base, but the weak-hitting subs couldn't come across with the crucial hits. Southpaw Ty Suga, of the famous Suga-Yasui battery, is still wheeling them in. When he hung up his spikes a couple of years ago, the so-called smart fellows thought his diamond days were over, but he fooled them all. To date, Ty has started out in every Giant encounter and only once did he fail to go the limit of the gruelling nine innings.

What he lacks now is speed. Old Ty has used to advantage all the skill and cunning he has acquired through the long years of active chucking, and I for one thinks he deserves a big handclap.

Riverside Downs Ladner, 8-4

By T. S.

Riverside J. C. C. L. again emerged victorious against Ladner High, 8-4, at Delta Memorial Park last Sunday. Going into the 3rd on even terms, the Citizen Leaguers scored two runs on two walks and singles by Nishi and Kanai, while holding Ladner to a lone single by McFadden. Both teams ran up markers in the 4th, and Riverside broke away in the 6th for the final tally.

The game was sparked by some snappy fielding which kept the fans on their feet. Wallace Fenton pitched the full seven innings for Ladner, allowing 7 hits and striking out 12. Riverside used three chuckers, Sasaki, E. Tamaki and Matsumura.

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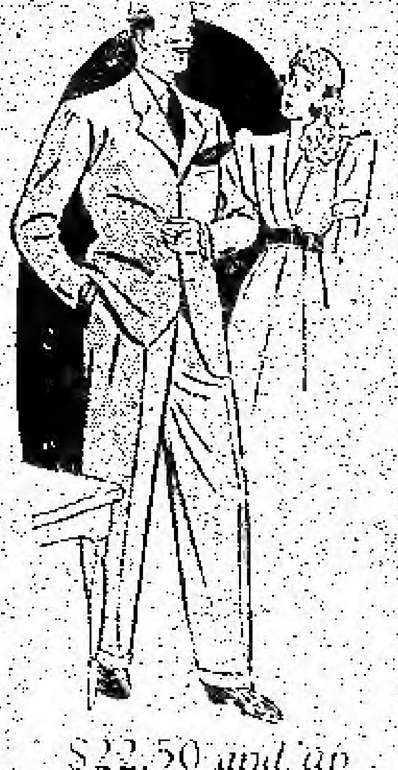

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AGILE ASAHIS TAKE TWO STRAIGHT

Tossing 'Em In

Seven years of pitching for the Asahis, pride and joy of every son of Yamato in B. C., is the record that Naggy Nishihara is setting up on the familiar Powell Street diamond. His fast ball was still fast enough and his curves still tricky enough to win the Burrard League opener from Patricias, Monday night.

Naggy Pins Pats in Opener And Kaz Is Tight With Hits In Western Tilt

Once more the familiar baseball stamping ground on Powell Street echoed with the cheering, jabbering ball fans as the twinkle-toed Asahis went through their paces and chalked up two lopside victories in the opening tussles of the Burrard League.

It looks like the Asahis won't be having any difficulty garnering their third straight pennant if they keep on repeating those big wins of Monday and Tuesday.

In the opener on Monday, Nag Nishihara, veteran opening game chucker, won his seventh straight opener by completely handcuffing Patricia Hotel in an 8-2 win, while on Tuesday, singles in the last two innings robbed Pitcher Kaz Suga of a perfect game, as the Asahis trounced Westerns 9-0.

HIT IN PINCHES

Against the Pats the deluge of hits that came through in pinches in the fourth and fifth innings [illegible] up the ball game sky-high in favor of the Nipponese. The Asahis started a merry-go-round in the fourth frame as they got wise to Andy Reid's curves and merrily went to town smacking the horsehide all over the park scoring runs.

George Shishido's triple in the fifth inning with the bases bulging scored another 3 runs to put the Asahis way ahead.

Nag Nishihara had perfect control on the mound and squeezed out of many tight spots by striking out the Patsmen to retire the opposition.

HIT AND RUN

Fumbles by third baseman Swanstein in the second frame proved costly to the Westerns as the fleet-footed Asahis scrambled all around the bases for 4 runs. The third inning was the only time at bat, that the Japanese Rep. team failed to cash in a run.

Suga's drops and fast balls kept the Westerns swinging at the air, and only two of their players managed to reach second. Suga backed up his 2-hit performance on the mound by smacking the horsehide three times in four tries.

ASAHIS vs. PATRICIAS

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Yamamura, 3b	4	0	1	2	2	0
Maruno, ss	4	1	0	0	0	0
Suga, rf	4	1	3	0	1	1
Mitsui, cf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Uno, 1b	2	2	0	8	0	0
Nishihara, p	4	2	3	0	2	1
Shiraishi, lf	1	1	1	0	0	0
Shishido, 2b	3	0	1	0	2	0
Kutsukake, c	2	0	2	10	0	0
Totals	27	8	11	21	7	2

Patricia Hotel	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	—2
Asahis	0	0	0	4	3	1	x	—8

Summary — Triple, Shishido; doubles, Nishihara, Suga, Kutsukake, Faulkner, Vanhatten 2; stolen bases, Cranston 2, Smith, Maruno, Suga 2, Kutsukake; struck out by Nishihara 10, by Reid 3; bases on balls off Nishihara 6, off Reid 5, off Paton 1; sacrifice, Shiraishi; umpire, George Vanhatten.

ASAHIS vs. WESTERNS

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Shiraishi, lf	3	1	0	0	0	0
Maruno, ss	4	1	1	3	3	0
Suga, p	4	2	3	2	1	0
Mitsui, cf	4	0	2	0	0	0
Nishihara, rf	4	0	1	0	1	1
Uno, 1b	4	2	3	8	0	0
Yamamura, 3b	3	1	1	0	1	0
Shishido, 2b	2	2	1	3	1	0
Kutsukake, c	3	0	1	2	1	0
Totals	31	9	13	18	8	1

Asahis	1	4	0	2	1	1		—9
Western	0	0	0	0	0	0		—0

Summary—Sacrifice hit, Shiraishi; stolen bases, Maruno, Suga 2, Uno, Ambler; struck out by Suga 2, by Stewart 2; bases on balls off Suga 3, off Stewart 1, off Ambler 4; double play, Swanstein to Morrow to Leach; left on bases, Asahi 10, Western 5; umpire, George Vanhatten.

Do Or Die Rally Wins For Taiikus

Westminster Taiikus finally crashed the win column as the revamped Queensboro boys staged a fighting five-run rally in the final stanza to nose out the strong Mikado squad 10-9.

Mikado took a big lead in the first inning when they went right through the complete lineup and amassed six runs. They pushed across a singleton in the second, fifth and the last inning.

Going into the last half of the last frame with Taiikus trailing 9-5, an error by Akira Takahashi turned the tide of the game. Min Ota and Tosh Nishijima followed in quick succession with safeties to left field scoring one run. Murata, who had been pitching nice ball, suddenly lost control and hit the next batter. Nishijima came dashing in for the tying run as left-fielder Seki drove a clean single to left-bay. With the winning run on third, relief-chucker T. Shinohara blasted out a hit to left field again, scoring Seki to win his own ball game.

Mikado—A. Takahashi ss (0-4); Yasui 3b (1-4); Hayashi c (0-4); H. Takahashi lf (0-4); Goromaru cf (2-2); Yoshinaka 1b (1-4); Ito rf (1-3); Kondo 2b (1-3); Murata p (0-4)—6 hits.

Taiiku—Shinohara cf, p (3-5); [illegible] ss (0-2); Ota 2b (1-3); Nishijima c, cf (2-4); Seki lf (2-3); Matsumiya [illegible] (1-4); Akagawa rf (1-4); [illegible] (1-1); Ota c (0-2)—11 hits.

Mikado	6	1	0	0	1	0	1	— 9
Taiiku	0	1	1	0	3	0	5	—10

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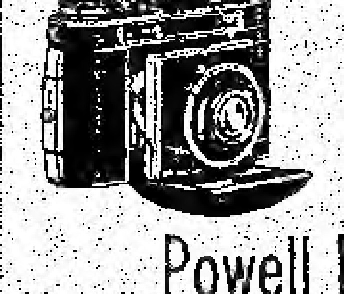

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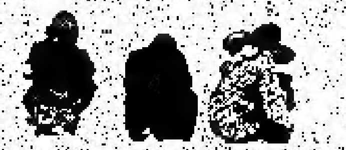
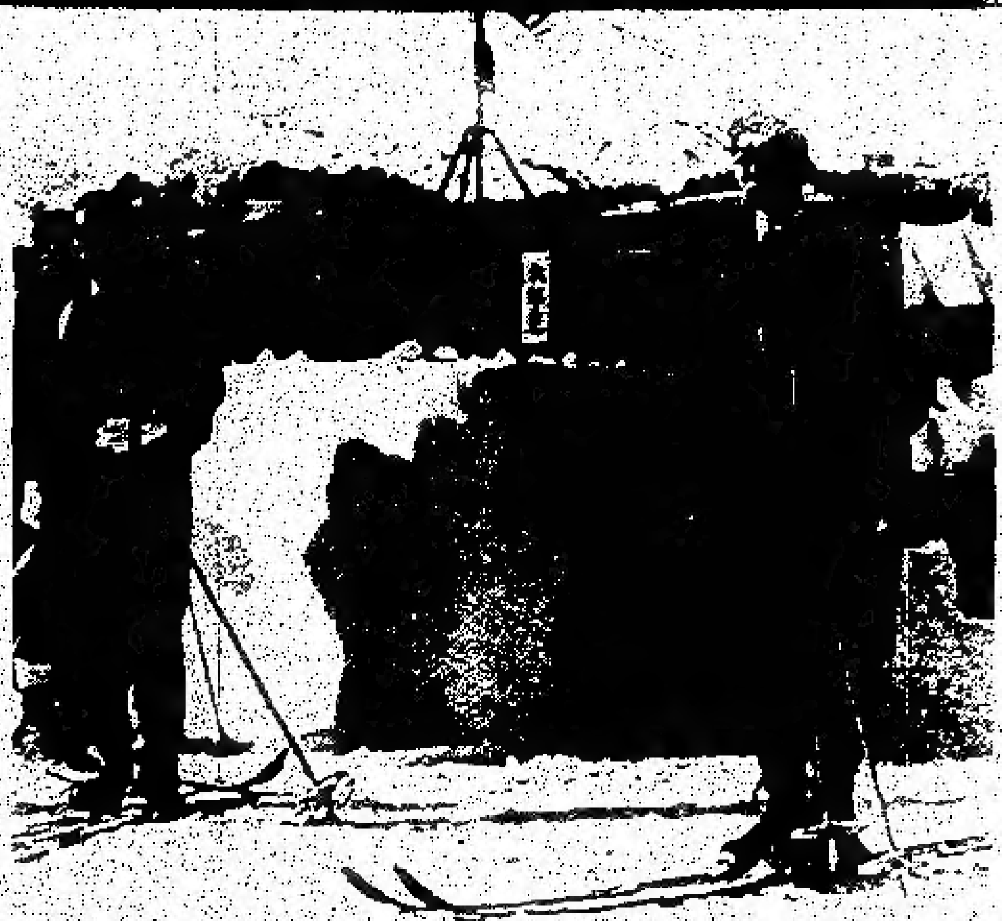
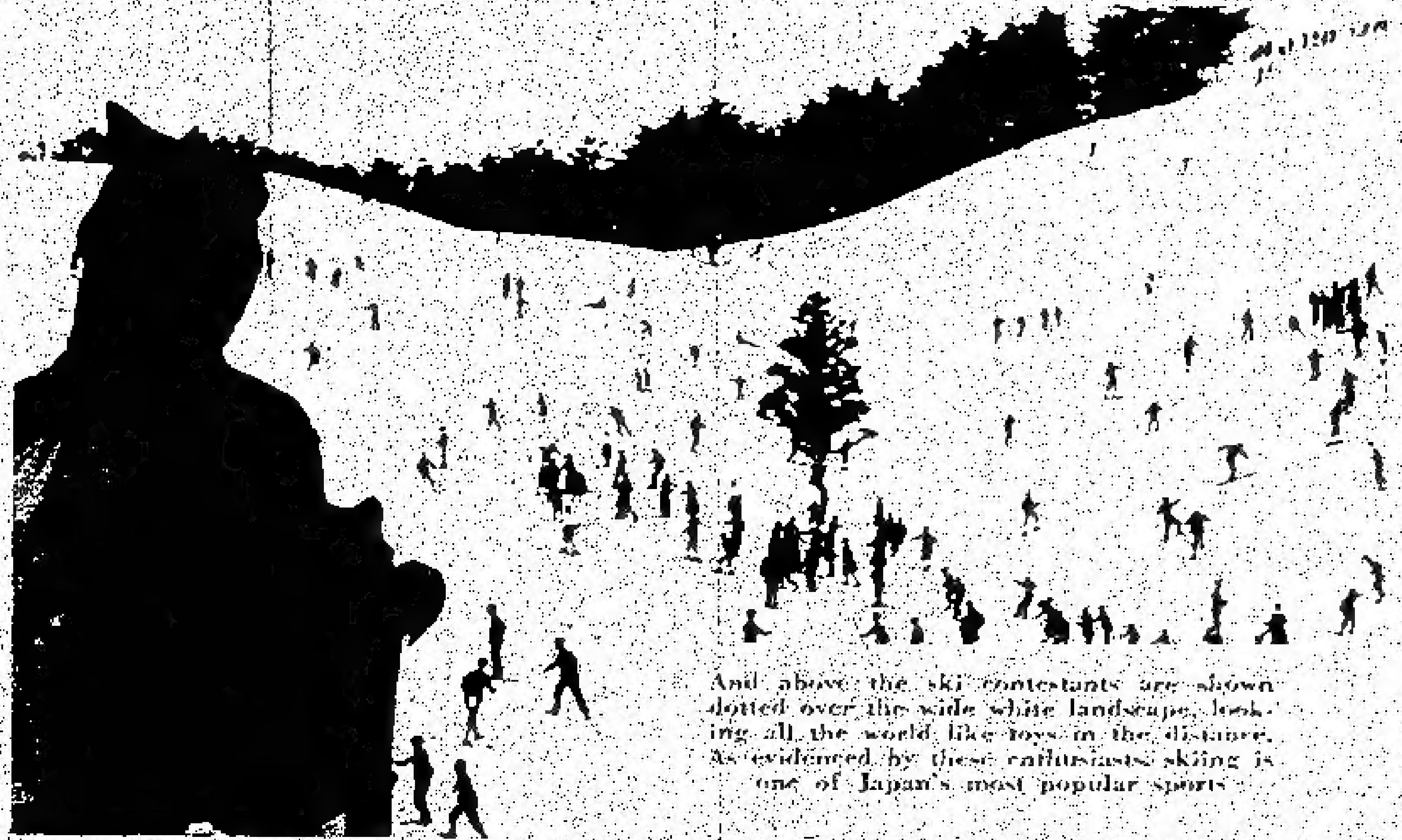
Below is another feature of the mass skiing calisthenics of the Meiji Shrine National Meet. Precision and grace marked the exercises against the spotless snowy background, presenting a picture of rythmic perfection in its exact cadence.



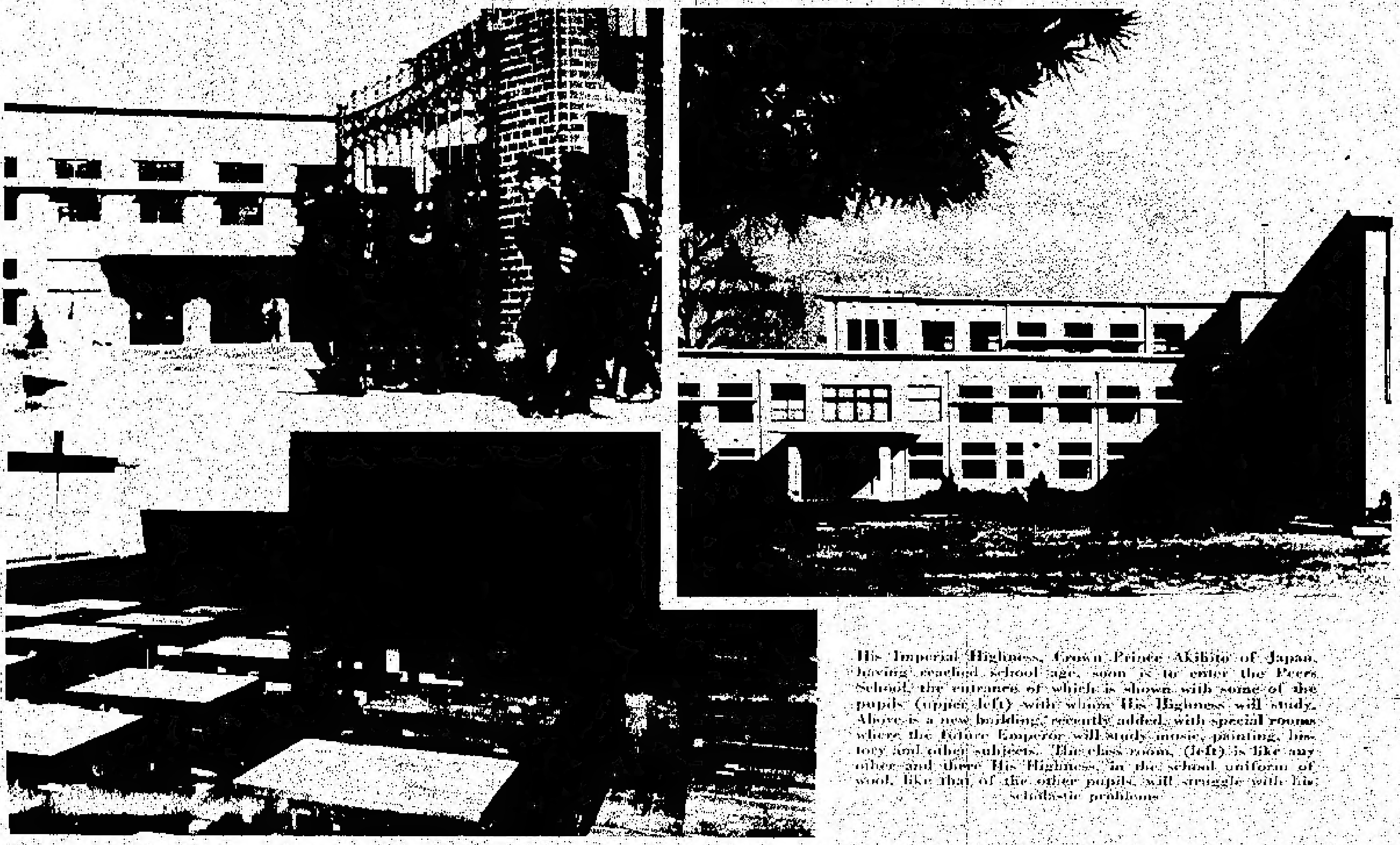


The ski triumphant. Above primary school students of Takada City take part in mass ski calisthenics at the opening ceremonies of the All-Japan Skiing Championships. More than 3,000 boys and girls took part. His Imperial Highness, Prince Chichibu (right) honored the occasion with his presence and took part in the sport, of which he is an enthusiast.

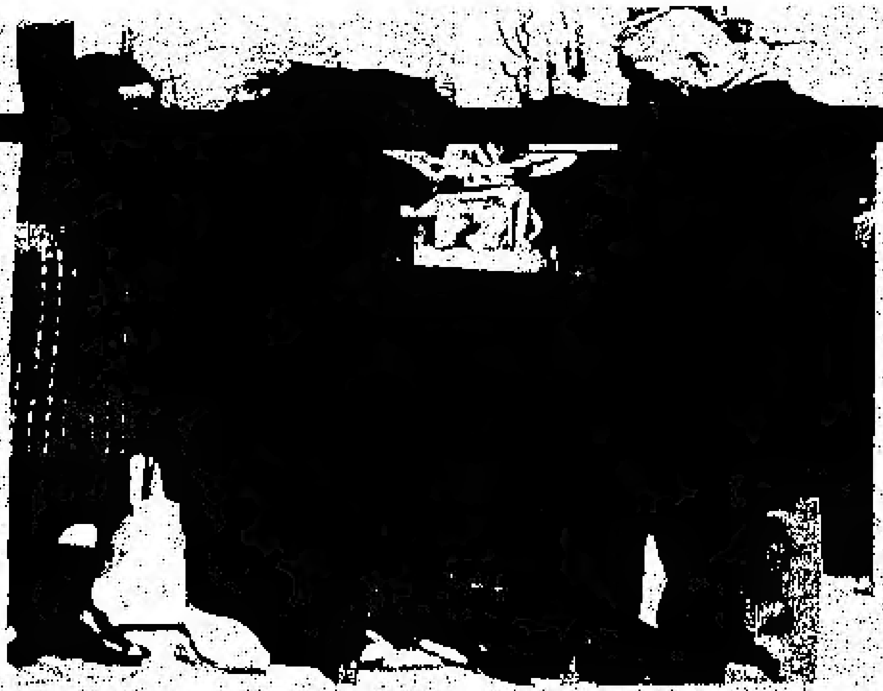


And above the ski contestants are shown dotted over the wide white landscape, looking all the world like toys in the distance. As evidenced by these enthusiasts skiing is one of Japan's most popular sports.

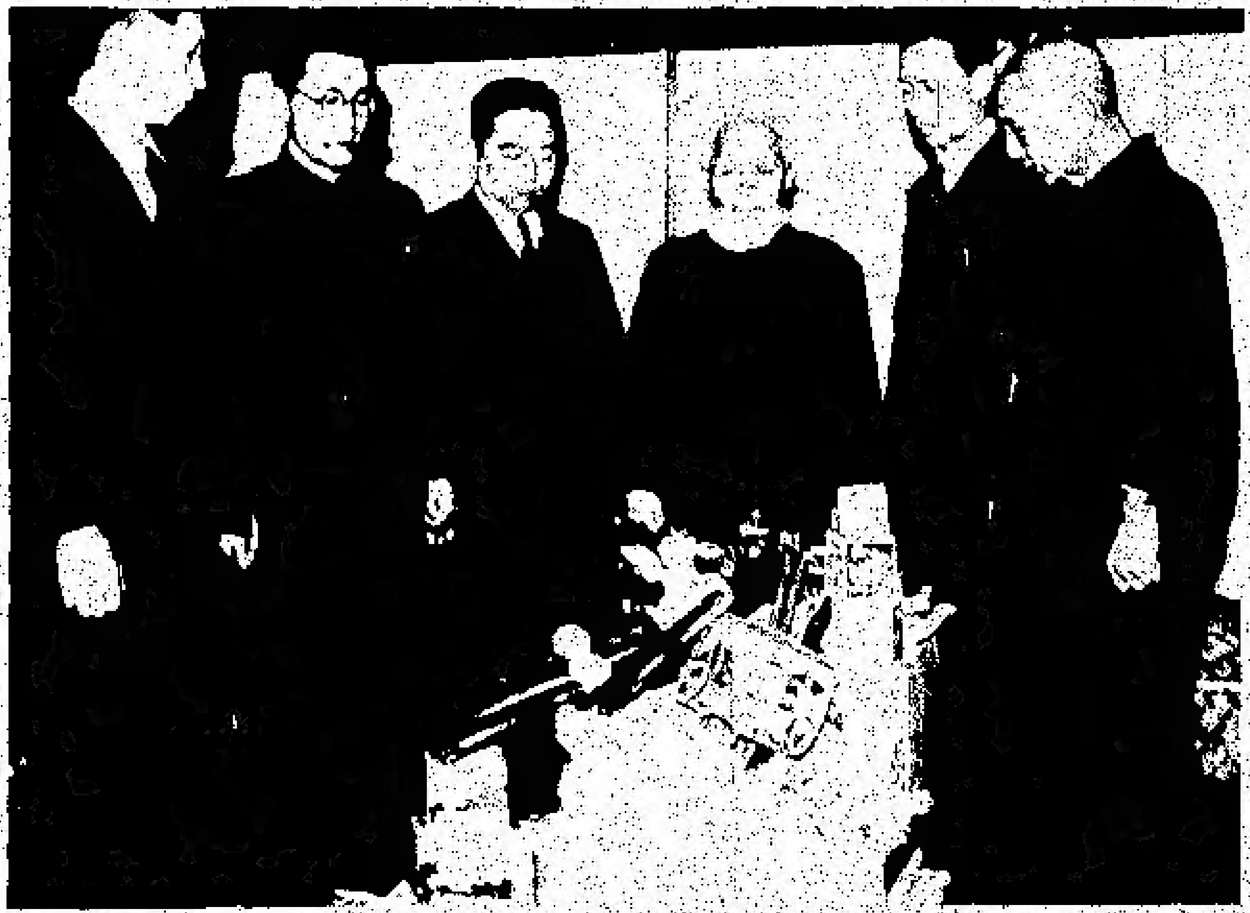
EVEN PRINCES MUST BOW TO 3 R's



His Imperial Highness, Crown Prince Akihito of Japan, having reached school age, soon is to enter the Peers School, the entrance of which is shown with some of the pupils (upper left) with whom His Highness will study. Above is a new building, recently added, with special rooms where the future Emperor will study music, painting, history and other subjects. The class room, (left) is like any other and there His Highness, in the school uniform of wool, like that of the other pupils, will struggle with his scholastic problems.

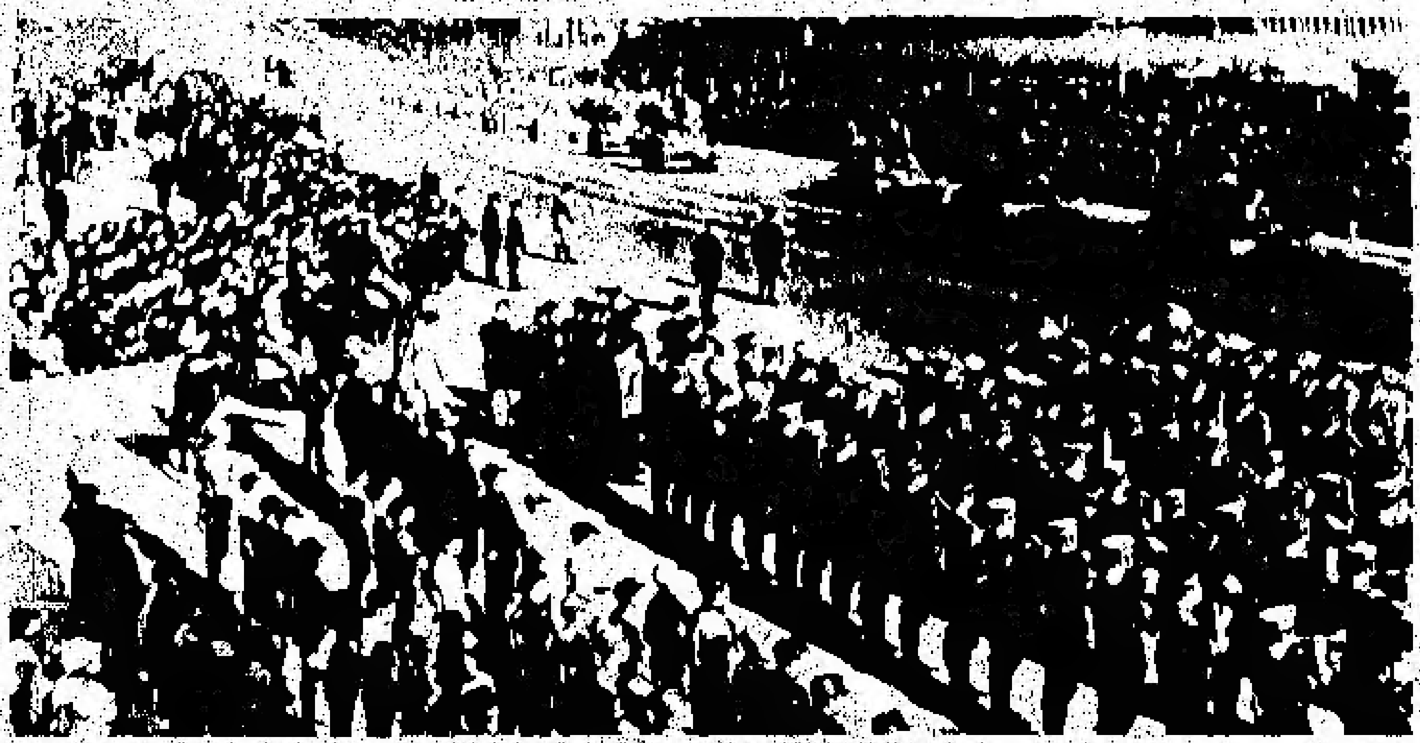


A group of women writers, led by Mrs. S. Hasegawa, ... Tokyo's Ginza. There they sold autographed copies of their books to aid the children of soldiers who fell in China.



Toys and books for the ... collected by the children of Japan to be sent to the children of China as a good will gift, are inspected (below) by the committee in charge.

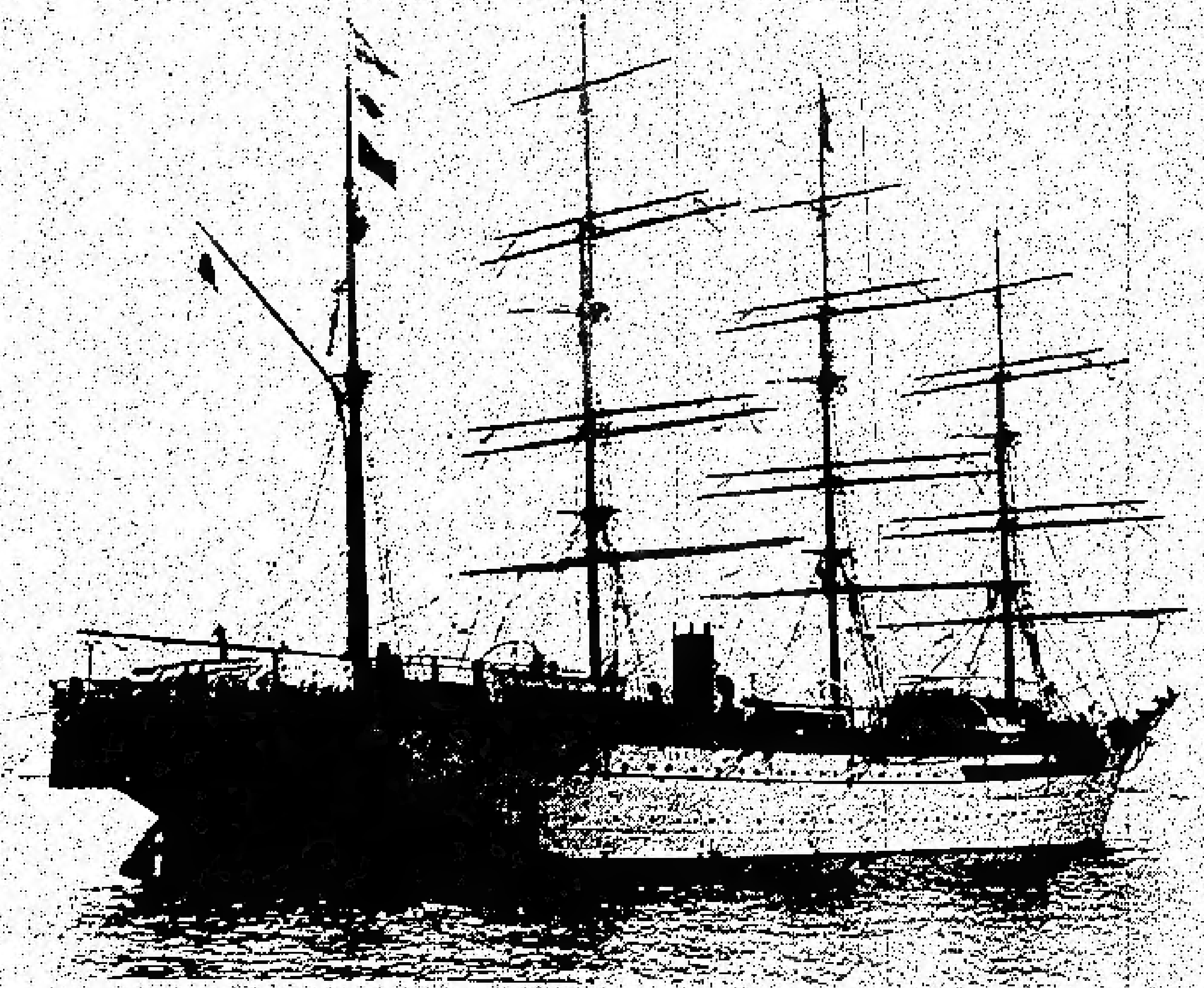
March 10th of every year, like April 6th in America, is set aside as Army Day in Japan. Above, the mighty forces of the Empire pass in review.



Chinese Buddhist monks recently arrived in Tokyo for a good will tour of Japan. Below a group of them are shown being welcomed with flowers and greeted by children.

The New Canadian

CAMERA LENS LOOKS IN ON JAPAN



The Nippon Maru, square-rigged merchant training vessel, (above) recently sailed from Japan for far off Palestine. On board were cadets of the merchant marine to put into practice their knowledge of seamanship and a group of school teachers.

Mr. K. Shimomura, (above left) president of the Japan Amateur Athletic Union, is shown presenting a plaque to Mr. Ryozo Hiranuma, (right) former president, on his 60th birthday, in token of esteem